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## USSR WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS

(29 July - 1 August 1951)

31 July 1951

On 29 and 30 July, warm, dry weather continued to prevail in most of the European USSR.

It was cool only in the east and in the Urals. On 30 July, noon temperatures rose to 11 degrees (11 degrees in centigrade; in Ufa and Syktyvkar, 13 in Sverdlovsk, Nizov, and Kazan', 14 in Leningrad, 17 in Orikalov, and 19 in Riga and Arkhangelsk'. During the day, it was 20 degrees in Minsk, 22 in Kiev, 23 in Voroshilovgrad, Krasnodar, Kursk, Voronezh, and Vologda, 24 in Orel, 25 in Gor'kiy, Moscow, Stalingrad, and Rostov on the Don, 26 in Saratov, and 27 in Simferopol'.

On 29 July, rains and thunderstorms occurred in the northeast, Urals, and at some places in the Ukraine and Baltic countries. During the first 12 hours of 30 July, rain fell in the Ukraine and local showers in the central regions.

Weather conditions for carrying on the harvest were good in most of the European USSR. Hay grasses are being harvested in the northern regions under favorable conditions. Winter grains have matured in all central regions. Spring wheat is being harvested in Tambov Oblast.

It became cooler in West Siberia. On 30 July, the noon temperature rose to only 15 degrees in Gmok and 19 degrees in Tobol'sk. In the eastern areas, it was still warm, with 27 degrees during the day in Novosibirsk and 28 degrees in Barnaul.

On 29 July, rain fell in many areas of West Siberia; harvest work was temporarily interrupted there.

Hot, dry weather continues in Central Asia.

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2 August 1951

On 31 July and 1 August, cloudy, moderately warm, and dry weather prevailed in most of the European USSR. It became considerably cooler and rain fell in the central regions and the North Caucasus. On 1 August, mean temperatures were 15 degrees in Orel and Kursk, 16 in Voroshilovgrad, Ufa, and Sverdlovsk, 17 in 15 degrees in Orel and Kursk, 16 in Voroshilovgrad, Ufa, and Sverdlovsk, 17 in 15 degrees in Orel and Kursk, 16 in Voroshilovgrad, Ufa, and Sverdlovsk, 17 in Kirov, Voronezh, and Rostov on the Don, 18 in Vologda and Syktyvkar, 19 in Lenin-Kirov, Voronezh, and Rostov on the Don, 18 in Vologda and Syktyvkar, 19 in Lenin-Kirov, Kazan', and Kiev, 20 in Dnepropetrovsk, Lvov, Riga, Moscow, and Chkalovgrad, Kazan', and Kiev, 20 in Dnepropetrovsk, Lvov, Riga, Moscow, and Chkalovgrad, 22 in Saratov, Tambov, and Krasnodar, 24 in Gor'kiy and Kishinev, and 26 in Stalingrad.

On 31 July, rain fell in most areas, locally, it amounted to more than 10 millimeters. The western Ukraine, Lower Volga Region, and eastern central regions were the only areas in which there was no rain. During the first 12 hours of 1 August, rain fell in the central regions, eastern Ukraine, North Caucasus, and the northeast. The rain which fell moistened the soil well and created the necessary conditions for the growth of most crops. The warm weather prevailing in the northern half of the European USSR is speeding up the maturing of grain crops.

Winter rye has reached waxy maturity in southern Komi ASSR and Arkhangel'sk Oblast. The rye harvest is in progress under favorable conditions in Kirov, Ivanovo, and Moscow Oblasts and southern Latvian SSR. Spring wheat has matured around Pelsotsk, Vitebsk, Minsk, and Kirov.

In West Siberia, it became warmer and the rains ceased. On 1 August, noon temperatures rose to 20 degrees in Omsk, 21 in Barnaul, 22 in Krasnoyarsk, 23 in Tobolsk, and 27 in Novosibirsk. It became cooler and rain fell in East Siberia.

Weather conditions for carrying on the harvest were good in West Siberia. Winter rye has matured throughout the territory except in northern Tomsk Oblast.

Spring wheat has reached waxy maturity in southern Omsk Oblast, Altay Krai, and southern Novosibirsk Oblast.

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